

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) An arrangement for fixing a windscreen wiper blade ~~(1, 3, 5, 4)~~ on an arm ~~[(2)]~~, the said blade ~~(1, 3, 5, 4)~~ having a through transverse pivot spindle intended for the pivoting connection with the said arm and the said arm ~~[(2)]~~ having an end rod, characterised in that it comprises an independent piece referred to as an adapter ~~[(6)]~~ mounted on the said blade ~~(1, 3, 5, 4)~~ and in which the said rod is fitted longitudinally.
2. (Currently Amended) The ~~[(An)]~~ arrangement according to Claim 1, characterised in that the said adapter ~~[(6)]~~ has a substantially U-shaped cross section whose flanges ~~(6A, 6B)~~ each have an orifice for snapping onto the said spindle ~~[(4)]~~ and an end of which, referred to as the entry end ~~[(6C)]~~, is open and in that the said adapter ~~[(6)]~~ comprises means for the trasverse and longitudinal locking of the said arm ~~[(2)]~~.
3. (Currently Amended) The ~~[(An)]~~ arrangement according to Claim 2, characterised in that a longitudinal locking means consists of an articulated part provided with a tenon ~~[(9)]~~ fitted in an orifice ~~[(10)]~~ arranged on the rod, when the latter is fitted.
4. (Currently Amended) The ~~[(An)]~~ arrangement according to Claim 3, characterised in that this locking means consists of a cross-member ~~[(7)]~~ aritcualted on the adapter by means of at least one flexible tongue ~~[(8)]~~, carrying the said tenon ~~[(9)]~~ and forming, with the web ~~[(6D)]~~ of the adapter at its entry end ~~[(6C)]~~, a positioning channel for the rod.
5. (Currently Amended) The ~~[(An)]~~ arrangement according to Claim 2 ~~one of Claims 2 to 4~~, characterised in that a longitudinal locking means consists of the housing ~~[(11)]~~ arranged on the adapter in which a stop ~~[(12)]~~ on the rod comes into engagement, when the latter is fitted.
6. (Currently Amended) The ~~[(An)]~~ arrangement according to Claim 5, characterised in that the said housing ~~[(11)]~~ is arranged on the web ~~[(6D)]~~ of the adapter close to its end opposite to the entry end ~~[(6C)]~~ and the said stop ~~[(12)]~~ arranged at the end of the rod.

7. (Currently Amended) The [[An]] arrangement according to Claim 6, characterised in that the said housing [[[11)]] is conformed by virtue of a profiled snapping-in rib [[[14)]] on the internal surface of the adapter and the said stop [[[12)]] is a profiled catch at the end of the rod.
8. (Currently Amended) The [[An]] arrangement according to Claim 2 ~~one of Claims 2 to 7~~, characterised in that the adapter [[[6)]] has at least one fixed cross-member [[[13)]] for the transverse locking of the rod.
9. (Currently Amended) The [[An]] arrangement according to Claim 2 ~~one of Claims 2 to 8~~, characterised in that the web [[[6D)]] of the adapter is provided with a longitudinal opening [[[15)]] allowing passage of the rod when it is fitted.